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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.
LONDON.—F. ALLEN, 11, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, George Street, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GORCH, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C. BATES HENRY & Co., 4 Old Jewry, E.C.
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORCH, Melbourne and Sydney.
SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—WHITE & BAUER, San Francisco.
CHINA.—SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. Amoy, Canton, Hongkong, Shanghai, Peking, Tientsin, Hankow, and all other ports.
HONGKONG.—SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. Amoy, Canton, Hongkong, Shanghai, Peking, Tientsin, Hankow, and all other ports.

Arrivals.

Nov. 23, *Littleton*, British ship, 885, Beck, Shanghai, Nov. 14, General.—OLYPHANT & Co.
Nov. 23, *Race Horse*, Siamese ship, 387, Kruse, Newchwang, Nov. 7, 6000 piculs Peas.—CHINESE.
Nov. 23, *Glenista*, British barque, 372, Hall, Shanghai, Nov. 15, General.—CHINESE.
Nov. 23, *Stanley*, British barque, 384, Daughy, Sunderland, June 3, 670 tons Coal.—P. & O. Co.
Nov. 23, *Rocket*, American barque, 384, Dill, New York, June 18, 500 tons Coal.—ANGLO-SAXON S.S. CO.
Nov. 23, *Fortune*, Siamese barque, 447, Dohren, Newchwang, Nov. 7, 10,000 piculs Peas.—CHINESE.
Nov. 23, *Tekla*, N. G. barque, 350, Keer, Newcastle, N.S.W., Oct. 8, 450 tons Coal.—Wm. PUSTAU & Co.
Nov. 24, *Mikado*, N. G. barque, 340, Lemper, Newchwang, Nov. 14, 7500 piculs Peas.—Wm. PUSTAU & Co.
Nov. 24, *Patria*, North G. barque, 410, Christiansen, Newchwang via Amoy, Nov. 8 and 22, 3000 piculs Beans.—Wm. PUSTAU & Co.
Nov. 24, *Three Brothers*, British bark, 383, Gale, Swatow, Nov. 22, Ballast.—YONG CHAP POON.
Nov. 24, *Douglas*, Brit. steamer, 615, Toppin, Foochow, Tamsui, Amoy and Swatow, Nov. 18, 20 and 23, General.—DOUGLAS LAUREN & Co.

Departures.

Nov. 24, *Rubicon*, for Yokohama.
Nov. 24, *Trinidad*, for Singapore.
Nov. 24, *Yong Chap Poon*, for Singapore.

Passengers.

ARRIVED.—Per *Douglas*, Capt. Annet, Mrs. Semont, 2 children, Messrs. Motter, Blackford, 8 Europeans and 70 Chinese.
Per *Three Brothers*, 2 Europeans and 60 Chinese.
Per *Mikado*, Mr. Palmer and 6 Chinese.

Shipping Reports.

The British steamer *Douglas*, from East Coast, experienced light N.E. wind and fine weather as far as Swatow; from thence strong N.W. wind and confused sea; the *Fujiyama* arrived at Swatow on the 22d.

The North German barque *Mikado*, from Newchwang, reports the first part of passage had strong southerly gale for 24 hours; then calm for 12 hours; then had strong N.E. monsoon till arrival. The North German brig *Marie* left on same day from Newchwang, bound to this port.

The Siamese barque *Fortune*, from Newchwang, reports the first part of passage had bad weather; the latter part fine weather and steady N.E. monsoon till arrival.

The North German barque *Tekla*, from Newcastle, N.S.W., reports fine weather and northerly wind; crossed the line on 4th Nov. in long. 164. E., fine weather until Bashee Island; then had steady monsoon till arrival.

The American barque *Rocket*, from New York, reports fine weather and light wind. Crossed the Equator on 24th July in long. 30 34 W.; passed the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on 3rd Sept. in lat. 40. S.; made Java Head 5th Oct.; passed Anjer on 8th Oct.; up Palawan passage fine weather and variable winds until last 3 days; then had N.E. monsoon till arrival on 23rd Nov. 167 days out.

The Brit. barque *Stanley*, from Sunderland, reports had bad weather on leaving port, which lasted for 36 days. Crossed the Equator on 24th July, in long. 24 W.; passed the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on 1st Sept. in lat. 39 S.; made Java Head on 9th Oct.; arrived at Anjer on 10th and left 12th Oct.; up to Palawan passage had light winds and calms; then had steady N.E. monsoon till arrival on 23rd Nov. 174 days out.

New Advertisements.

FOR SALE.
50 mille superior Manilla CIGARS, January.
30 mille superior CHEROOTS, January.
60 mille superior Manilla CIGARS, March.
Bruch, Fouchet & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE—40 cases Cartel d'or.
In lots to suit purchasers.
YOGEL HAEDORN & Co., Hongkong, November 24, 1868.

New Advertisements.

73rd REGIMENT THEATRICALS.
BAND AMATEUR SOCIETY.
BY the kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel G. J. BURNES, The Members of the above will perform at the GARRISON THEATRE, North Brandy, Friday and Saturday, The 27th and 28th November, 1868. In aid of the Relief Fund 73rd Regiment.

The laughable Farc in one act by Messrs A. MAYHEW and S. EDWARDS. Entitled the GOOSE WITH THE GOLDEN EGGS.

After which, by particular desire and positively the last two Nights, The original Burlesque Burlesque by H. J. BRON, Esq., FRA DIAVOL, or the BEAUTY AND THE BRIGANDS. Orchestra by the remainder of the Band.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.
Reserved Seats, \$2.00.
Front Seats, 1.00.
Back Seats, 0.20.
Tickets to be had from the Manager at Murray Barracks and at the Door of the Theatre on the Night of Performance. Doors open at half past 8; Performance to commence at 9 precisely.
Manager, CORP. EDWARD WALSH. VIVAT REGINA.

TO LET.
With Immediate Possession, TWO Two-Storey Granite GODOWNS at Wanchi, adjoining the Timber Yard of the Union Dock Company.
Apply to LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, November 23, 1868.

SEALED TENDERS (in Duplicate) marked "Tenders for Bills" will be received at this Office until Noon on FRIDAY, the 27th inst., for Bills on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or on the Governor General of India in Council, Calcutta, both at 30 days' sight; in exchange for current Dollars of Hongkong at 7.17, or number one clean Mexican Dollars counted.
Bills on London will not be drawn for sums under £1,000, and on Calcutta under Rupees 10,000.
The accepted Tenders will be at once notified to the respective parties by letter, requesting them to lodge the amount to the credit of the Commission Account at the Oriental Bank Corporation, where a receipt will be given, on production of which at this office the Bills will be issued.
In order to save time, it is requested that the sets of Bills required may be detailed in the margin of the Tenders, and it is particularly requested that the Tenders may be in duplicate.

REDMOND UNICKEE, Dep. Comm. Gen. Controller's Office, Commissariat, China, Hongkong, November 21, 1868.

LOST.
THIS morning, between Messrs SIMMONS & Co.'s, along the Praya to the Macao Steamer and back through Queen's Road, a Pocket BOOK, containing a \$25 and a \$5 Dollar note, as also a Charter-party of the British barque "Marion." A Reward will be paid on returning the same to Messrs SIMMONS & Co. Hongkong, November 21, 1868.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG IN BANKRUPTCY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Meeting of the Creditors of Pang-wah-Ping, Trader, adjourned from the 20th day of October, last, will be held in the Supreme Court House, on Thursday, the 26th day of November, 1868, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, before the Honorable William Hastings Alexander, Esquire, Registrar of the said Supreme Court, being the Officer appointed by the said Court sitting in Bankruptcy.

At the said Meeting the Official Assignee will, in pursuance of the 151st Section of the said Ordinance, submit a Statement of the Bankrupt's Estate recovered and outstanding, and of all receipts and all payments made or to be made thereof, and the Creditors at the said meeting will, in pursuance of the said Section, declare whether and what part of the net produce of the Estate of the said Bankrupt, after making a reasonable deduction for the future contingencies, shall be divided amongst the Creditors.

Proofs of Debts will be received, and Creditors who have not proved, or who shall not then prove, will be excluded from the benefit of the dividend, and all claims not proved will be disallowed.

F. S. HUFFAM, Official Assignee. Hongkong, November 20, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Office of the WANCHI STEAM BAKERY is REMOVED to the Store of Messrs MACDONALD & Co., where all orders addressed to "WANCHI STEAM BAKERY" will receive prompt attention. Fancy BISCUIT and CAKE constantly on hand.
L. P. WARD, Proprietor. Hongkong, September 3, 1868.

New Advertisements.

ST. ANDREW'S CLUB.
THE Annual "Public Dinner" will take place at the HONGKONG CLUB HOUSE, on MONDAY, the 30th inst., at 7.30 P.M.
Scotchmen desiring to be present will find Lists lying for signature at the Club, and Messrs LAKE, CRAWFORD & Co., and those intending to have guests will please signify the number when subscribing, in order that the necessary arrangements may be made.

W. S. RIDDELL, St. Andrew's Club. Hongkong, November 21, 1868.

CHRISTADELPHIAN SYNAGOGUE.
No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
THOSE in Hongkong, who have become Christians, by believing the things "concerning the Kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ" (Acts viii-12) and being thereafter, immersed in water in obedience to Apostolic Commandment (Acts ii-38).

MEET EVERY SUNDAY.
In the morning at 11 a.m. for the breaking of bread, and of prayers, and in the evening at 7 o'clock, for the proclamation of the truth.
N.B.—Christadelphian means "Brethren of Christ," and is distinguished by those acknowledging it, to distinguish them from ordinary "Christians" who in the estimation of the former, are departed from the faith of Christ, and turned unto fables (2 Tim. 4-4).

LOOKING FOR HIS APPEARING. Hongkong, November 20, 1868.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the provisions of Article 9 of the Articles of Association of the HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, an Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Company, situated at No. 39, Queen's Road Victoria, on Thursday, the 27th day of November, at the hour of Three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of declaring a dividend and passing certain Special Resolutions providing for the dissolution and winding up of the Company, copies of which can be obtained by any Shareholder, on application at the said Office of the Company.

Dated the Twentieth day of Nov., 1868. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. General Managers.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in compliance with the Companies Ordinance, 1863, an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Company, situated at No. 39, Queen's Road Victoria, on Wednesday, the 26th day of December, at the hour of Three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of confirming all or any Special Resolutions that may be passed at the Meeting called for the purpose, on the First day of December next.

Dated the Twentieth day of Nov., 1868. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. General Managers.

NOTICE.
ALL Persons having claims against the Estate of the late firm of DEER & Co., are requested to furnish particulars of the same to the Trustees, addressed to the care of Mr E. WHEELER, Hongkong, on or before the 30th November, 1868, in order to participate in the first dividend.

A. TURING, Trustee of Debt & Co. V. KRESSEL, Co's Estate. Hongkong, September 18, 1868.

FOR SALE AT EAST POINT.

Complete assortment of Lowmoor and Thornycroft PLATE and Sheet IRON, BARS, ROD, ANGLE IRON and LIVES, Double Shear, Spring and Blister STEEL, in round, square and flat bars. Babbitt METAL, Muntz Yellow METAL, Copper PLATES, Rods and Pipes, GAS FITTINGS of every description. Boiler TUBES, Pressure GUAGES, FILES, PACKING and all kinds of Engineer's Supplies.

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, September 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned having PURCHASED the interest of the "WANCHI STEAM BAKERY," begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and Ship Masters that he is prepared to furnish Daily Supplies of Soft BREAD in various forms, to any part of the Colony.

Also Ship BREAD of best quality and at low rates constantly on hand or baked in quantities at short notice.
Also Water, Butter, Soda and Sugar BISCUITS by the Barrel, Tin or Pound.
Also Corn and Rye MEAL, HOMINY, CORN STARCH, BICARB. SODA, Saleratus and Cream TARTAR.
FLOUR of best Brands constantly on hand supplied by the Barrel, Bag, Tin or Pound.

CAKE of all kinds baked to order.
The above is under the Superintendence of Mr JONATHAN PAGOSSA, and all orders forwarded to him, at the Bakery, or left at Messrs MACDONALD & Co.'s will receive prompt attention.

L. P. WARD. Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

ANDREW MILLAR.
HOUSE, SHIP, & STEAM-BOAT PLUMBER, COPPERSMITH & BRASSFOUNDER.
No. 1, Queen's Road East and Nullah Lane, Hongkong, October 28, 1868.

New Advertisements.

NOTICE.
THE Fine Steamer "YUNG-HAI-AN," (late Lancelotti) will be sold by Public Auction about the 24th inst., unless previously disposed of by private contract.
The Steamer is 227 feet long by 39 feet beam, with 24 feet depth of hold. She was built in Glasgow of the best iron, and is as sound as when launched. Her engines, by Napier, of 300 horse-power nominal, are in good working order, and she was fitted last year with two new Boilers of an approved pattern. She carries in addition to her Coal, 10,000 pounds dead weight of 800 tons measurement Goods.

She has on deck a handsome Saloon with accommodations for 20 first-class passengers arranged with every modern convenience, and comfortable Cabins for second-class passengers forwards. Her between Decks are lofty and well adapted for the transport of troops or native passengers. For further particulars, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, November 11, 1868.

UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Annual MEETING of the Shareholders in the said Company, will be held at the Company's Office, (in the Hongkong Hotel Building), on FRIDAY, the 18th day of December next, at Noon, for the election of Directors in the place of those who retire, in conformity with the provision of the Articles of Association. At the same time the statement of account and the Report of Directors will be laid before the Meeting.

By order of Directors, JOHN INGLIS, Secy.

E. DA CUNHA & Co.,

FROM PORTUGAL, GOLDSMITHS AND WATCHMAKERS, Also, REPAIRERS OF ORGANS & OTHER MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.
58, WELLINGTON STREET, Late Central Police Station, HONGKONG.
Terms moderate. A share of patronage of the liberal community is requested.

A lot of fine Organs for sale. Hongkong, November 16, 1868.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
BOWRA & Co. will sell by Public Auction, by order and at the residence of C. HOCHSTETTER, Esq., 51, Wyndham Street, on

THURSDAY,

the 26th Nov., 1868, at 11 o'clock A.M., Sundry Household FURNITURE, superior Crystal, Glassware, Electroplated Ware, Table-linen, Mirrors, Books in English, French and German, including the collection of "Gierstaker's" works in German, in 50 vols., well-bound, Clocks, 1 Rifle by "Lepage," 1 double-barrelled Gun by "Dean and Adams," Sedan Chairs, Lamps, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All lots with all errors of description whatever at purchaser's risk upon fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, November 19, 1868.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, FIVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

COURT OF DIRECTORS, Chairman, GEORGE JOHN HELLAND, Esq. Deputy Chairman, GEO. F. HAZARD, Esq. W. H. FORBES, Esq. JAMES B. TAYLOR, Esq. D. SASSOON, Esq. A. JOIST, Esq. WILLIAM LEMANN, Esq. J. P. DUNNANSON, Esq. JULIUS MENKE, Esq. RICHARD ROWETT, Esq. And, E. R. BELLIS, Esq.

Managers, Hongkong, VICTOR KRESSE, Esq. Chief Manager. Shanghai, DAVID MACDONALD, Esq. London Bankers.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits.—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " " "
" 12 " 5 " " " "
LOCAL Bills DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Branches, London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
VICTOR KRESSE, Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, June 17, 1868.



STEAM FOR
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Marseilles, and Southampton.

Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "CHINA," Captain J. D. Stewart, with Her Majesty's Mail, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this for the above places, on TUESDAY, 1st December, at 9 a.m. PARCELS and CARGO will be received on board until Noon, and SPECIE until 4 p.m. on the 30th November. For particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong.

CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE REQUIRED.
A written declaration of the Contents and Value of the Packages for the Overland Route is required by the Egyptian Government, and must be delivered by the Shippers to the Company's Agents with the Bills of Lading, or with Parcels; and the Company do not hold themselves responsible for any detention or prejudice which may happen from inaccuracy on such declaration.
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bill of Lading.

W. MACAULAY, Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, November 19, 1868.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES SERVICES MARITIMES DES MESSAGERIES IMPERIALES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS. STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ALEXANDRIA, MESSINA, MARSEILLES, Also, BOMBAY, PONDICHERY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship "HUGUET," Commandant DE BOVIS, will leave this Port for the above places, with MAILS PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, the 25th instant, at 2 p.m. Cargo and Specie will be registered for the principal places of Europe. Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. of the 24th instant, Specie and Parcels until 5 p.m. of the 24th instant. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) For Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the Company's Office, Hongkong. CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE REQUIRED.

C. BERTRAND, Principal Agent. Hongkong, November 5, 1868.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH U. S. MAIL LINE TO NEW YORK. STEAMERS of this line will be despatched as follows:—
Great Republic, on or about Aug. 15.
Japan, " " Sept. 15.
China, " " Oct. 15.
Great Republic, " " Nov. 15.
Japan, " " Dec. 15.
China, " " Jan. 15.

Connections are made at Yokohama with above-named steamers.

Passengers ticketed through to California, Mexico, Central and South America, the Atlantic States, and to England or France, both via New York and by lines from Panama and Aspinwall.

Return tickets issued at a reduction of 10% upon the whole amount for the round voyage.

Connections are made at Panama with Steam Lines upon the West Coast of Central and South America, at Aspinwall with the "Royal West India Mail Line," "West India and Pacific Steamship Company," (Limited) and the "French Transatlantic Company." And, at New York, with the various lines to Europe. Tickets issued for the following Steamship Lines: Canada, Inman, National, General Transatlantic Co., New York and Havre Steamship Co., Hamburg and American Packet Co., New York and Bremen Steamship Co., and North German Lloyd.

Favorable arrangements have been made for through passengers and freight to America, from Calcutta, Penang and Singapore, and from Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.

Through Bills of Lading given for Ports of Mexico and on the West Coast of Central and South America to as far as Valparaiso, to New York, Liverpool, Southampton and St. Nazaire, France.

Freight to United States payable in advance in Mexican Dollars, or on delivery in American Gold Coin with 8 per cent additional, at shipper's option.

For further information, apply at the Agency of the Company, Praya West.

GEO. F. ROWMAN, Agent.

Shipping.

STEAM TO
SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCOW.
HEP. & O. Co.'s S.S. "FORMOSA,"

will leave for the above places at Noon on Wednesday, the 25th inst.

W. MACAULAY, Superintendent. Hongkong, November 23, 1868.

FOR LABUAN & SINGAPORE, OR SINGAPORE DIRECT.
Should sufficient inducement offer. The new screw steamer "VINE,"

Captain MARK, 468 tons register, will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GILMAN & Co. Hongkong, November 16, 1868.

FOR LONDON.
Calling at Singapore, Penang & Mauritius, The O. S. S. Co.'s Steamer "AJAX,"

Kild, Master, expected from Shanghai about the end of this month, will have immediate despatch as above.

General Cargo, Drugs, &c., can now be engaged.

For rate of Freight or Passage, apply to BIRLEY & Co. Hongkong, November 14, 1868.

FOR YOKOHAMA DIRECT.
The A 1 Russian steamship "SHATESBURY,"

Captain AITKEN, will meet with quick dispatch for the above port.

For Freight, &c., apply to LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

FOR SAIGON.
The French barque "BENGALI,"

Captain DEMARE, will have quick despatch for the above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, November 13, 1868.

FOR SAIGON.
The A 1 French ship "ST. CROIX,"

Captain KOSBER, will have immediate despatch for the above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 British ship "LOUISA,"

Capt. LAMDOON, will load here and at Whampoa, and have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 American barque "STELLING,"

(built in 1866.) of 468 Tons Register, Master, having the greater portion of her cargo engaged, will load here, and at Whampoa, and have early despatch for the above port.

For Freight, apply to OLYPHANT & Co. Hongkong, October 20, 1868.

FOR SALE.
The A 1 North German Brig "GAZELLE"

of 196 Tons Register, built in 1865 all of Oak copper-fastened and coppered. She ranges 3/3 1/2 in. in Velocity until May 1873. The vessel is in first rate order.

Apply to CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, October 21, 1868.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
The A 1 British ship "ROSLIN CASTLE,"

JAS. ALEXANDER, Master, of 444 tons Register.

For particulars, apply to DOUGLAS LAUREN & Co. Hongkong, November 21, 1868.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
The first class French ship "LA PLATA,"

Master, of 444 tons register.

For particulars, apply to FREDERIO DEGENAER. Hongkong, November 2, 1868.

Notices to Consignees.
"NORTH CASTLE" FROM MADRAS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Notices to Consignees.

THE following cases have been landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees, who are requested to take immediate delivery.

RT 681 1 Case Paper.

Ex "Hogly," 31st October, 1868.

PG 827 1 "Ama.

PG 850 1 "Books.

LP 285 1 "Books.

C. BERTRAND,
Principal Agent.

Hongkong, November 9, 1868.

"ROSLIN CASTLE" from LONDON. Consignees of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1868.

Notices of Firms.

MR. JOHN ALEXANDER SANDILANDS is authorized to sign our firm per procurator.

R. MCGREGOR & Co.
Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

NOTICE.

WE have this day established a Branch of our Firm at HONGKONG AND OSACA. WACHTEL'S GROSS & Co.
Nagasaki, September 20, 1868.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day established myself as a PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AVERAGE ADJUSTER and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

C. LANGDON DAVIES.
Hongkong, July 1, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM NELSON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last.

Mr. THOMAS PIM, Mr. WILLIAM NISBET OLIVEST and Mr. H. SEYMOUR GRANT are authorized to sign our Firm in Hongkong and China from this date.

OLYPHANT & Co.
Hongkong, October 6, 1868.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this Port.

S. L. PHELPS,
Agent.

Hongkong, August 16, 1867.

NOTICE.

MR. HENRY LISTON DALRYMPLE is authorized to sign our Firm per procurator, at Foochow from this date.

BIRLEY & Co.
Hongkong, June 3, 1868.

NOTICE.

MR. RYLE HOLME has been admitted a partner in our Firm.

GILVER & Co.
Nagasaki, January 1, 1867.

NOTICE.

I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under the Style and Firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & Co.

GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.
Saigon, December 20, 1867.

NOTICE.

THE Underigned will from this date transact a GENERAL COMMISSION BUSINESS at this port under the firm of C. D. WILLIAMS & Co.

C. D. WILLIAMS.
Hongkong, November 2, 1868.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. CLAUDE BUDDE to sign our Firm from this date.

DREYER & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

Docks.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the seventh call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above named Company is due on the 1st December next and will be payable at the office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per centum per annum will be charged after the above date.

By order of the Board of Directors,
GEORGE N. MINTO,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 2, 1868.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

THE Company respectfully call the attention of Ship Owners, Consignees and Masters of Vessels, to their Establishment at Hongkong and Whampoa, for the DOCKING and REPAIRING of Vessels of all classes.

At Hongkong the Company have the only Dock in the harbour—a Granite Dock, solidly built, and of dimensions to admit Ships of 350 feet in length, and drawing 22 feet of water.

Attached to it there are Shipwrights, Blacksmiths, Boiler-makers and Machinery works, and everything necessary for the Repair of Sailing Vessels or Steamers.

The Company have also opened a Shipyard by the side of the Hongkong Dock, and are ready to contract for the construction of Steamers or Sailing Vessels of any size.

At Whampoa the Company have four Docks, in which they will take Ships at reduced rates.

The Steam Tug "LITTLE ORPHEAN" can be engaged to tow Vessels to sea, or berth them, at reasonable rates.

For particulars, apply to

JOHN INGLIS,
Acting Secretary.

Or to

A. D. MITCHELL,
Manager of Works.

Company's Office, H. Kong Hotel Building,
Hongkong, October 10, 1868.

Docks.

FOOCHOW GRANITE FLOORED DOCK.

THE above Dock has been in full working order for the last four years. Length 300 feet, width at bottom 40 feet, depth of water on the sill, springs, average 17 feet, mops 14 feet. The Dock in ordinary Tides runs dry to the Blocks and is pumped out by Steam.

For further particulars as to the price of cooping, etc., etc., apply to

T. D. TULLINGHAM, Esq., Messrs De Silver & Co., Hongkong; Messrs Boyd & Co., Shanghai; or to the Underigned.

In connection with the above is the powerful Twin Screw Tug "WOODHULL," Vessels requiring the services of this Tug either from Matsou (where a splendid anchorage will be found during the S. W. monsoon) or from the White Dogs, can obtain them at moderate rates, on application to

JOHN C. SKEY,
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THE New Superior Manila CIGAR in cases of 500 each.

BELFIELD AND ZACHARIAE.
Hongkong, November 9, 1868.

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HAS received per "OVERLAND MAIL," a Select Assortment of Ladies' and Children's fashionable BONNETS and HATS; in Velvet, Terry, Seal, Grobe, Felt, and Straw, trimmed and untrimmed. Chemise and Paisley SHAWLS, Velvet, Cloth and Seal SKIRTS, in great variety.

Plain and Fancy SILKS, in the newest designs and colors.

Real LACES, in Honiton, Chantilly, Valenciennes, and Cluny.

Ladies' French Cambric Trimmed HANDKERCHIEFS; Real Imitation, and Hem-stitched Ditto.

Ladies' SUNSHADES, French FANS, FLOWERS, FEATHERS, BIRDS, and Hat ORNAMENTS.

Gold and Silver BELTING & BRAIDS, in all widths.

Smoking CAPS and TASSELS.

Human HAIR, in Plaits and Curls.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Kid BOOTS and GLOVES.

Also,

Received direct from Berlin, a nice assortment of WOOLS, in all Colors.

WELLINGTON STREET,
Opposite the Catholic Chapel.
Hongkong, November 9, 1868.

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"THE Speculations of 'The Old Philosopher' LAU-TZE." Translated from the Chinese.

JOHN CHAMBERS, A.M.
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"The Origin of the Chinese" by the same author; Price \$1.

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Hongkong, October 17, 1868.

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GUNN'S NEW FAMILY PHYSICIAN, OR HOME-BOOK OF HEALTH.

Forming a complete Household Guide, giving many valuable suggestions, for avoiding disease and prolonging life, with plain directions in cases of emergency, and pointing out in familiar language the causes, symptoms, treatment and cure of diseases incident to

MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN,

with the simplest and best remedies; presenting a manual for

MANAGING THE STOCK,

and describing minutely the properties and uses of hundreds of well known MEDICAL PLANTS.

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With supplementary treatises on Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene or Domestic and Sanitary Economy;

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On Physical Culture and Development. (Newly Illustrated and Re-stereotyped.)

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Sold to Subscribers only.—Price: \$10.

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Price: \$2.50.

NOTICE.—A few copies of the above WORKS can be had by applying to

"B." C/o the China Mail Office.
Hongkong, October 29, 1868.

New Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned will sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 26th November, 1868, at 12 o'clock, at his Sales Room, Commercial Bank Buildings,

30 boxes Candles.

10 barrels Brandy.

50 bolts Gourock Canvas, Nos. 1 to 6.

15 dozen assorted Essences.

10 dozen Mustard.

20 dozen Ink.

60 sides Pump Leather.

50 kegs Iron Nails.

10 casks Butter.

25 casks green Tea.

25 casks Aleppo's Ale.

12 dozen superior Champagne.

24 dozen (10-catty) boxes best Sou-chong Tea.

10 cases Tobacco.

And,

50 boxes superior Vequeiros.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, November 24, 1868.

New Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions from the Mortgagee to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 27th day of November, 1868, at 12 o'clock, at the Godowns of Messrs AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Wanchi,

63 piculs RICHU DE MAR.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, November 24, 1868.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BOWRA & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 28th November, 1868, at 11 A.M., by order and at the residence of Wm. VINTON, Esq., Hollywood Road, (next door to the Hotel d'Europe),

The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising Sitting Room, Dining Room and Bed Room Suites, Chandeliers, Mirrors, &c.

A Magnificent Grand PIANO FORTE.

Lady's Sedan CHAIR.

ETC., ETC.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

Hongkong November 24, 1868.

TENDERS.

FOR REPAIRS of the British 3-masted schooner "Anne," will be received till Friday, the 27th inst., at the office of the Underigned, where Survey Reports can be seen and all other particulars obtained.

JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, November 24, 1868.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship

"DOUGLAS,"

Captain TOPPIN, will have immediate despatch for the above ports.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 24, 1868.

STORAGE.

THE Underigned are prepared to receive

PIECE GOODS on STORAGE in their

"First Class" Granite Godowns.

B. MCGREGOR & Co.
Hongkong, November 24, 1868.

STEAM-BOAT "MEKONG."

TENDERS are invited stating the lowest price for altering the above steamer lying at anchor off Shamien, Canton, now propelled on the centre wheel system, into a paddle-wheel boat. Particulars may be obtained from the Underigned, who do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, October 29, 1868.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having claims against the Estate of the late JOHN CLARK, deceased, (acting Assistant Surveyor General, are requested to send in particulars of same on or before the 31st day of December next, to

F. I. HAZELAND,
Solicitor.

Supreme Court House.
Hongkong, November 20, 1868.

OFFICE OF THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 7th December, 1868, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee together with a statement of accounts to 31st October, 1868.

By order of the Committee,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, November 7, 1868.

SAILORS' HOME, WEST POINT.

Trustees.

Hon. W. KESWICK, FORBES, Esq.
" JOHN DENT, H. G. THOMSETT, Esq., R.N.

Directors.

Hon. H. B. GIBB, W. MACAULAY, Esq.
G. J. HELLARD, Esq. D. SASSON, Esq.
G. HEARD, Esq. ROY, W. R. BEACH,
W. LEMANN, Esq. J. J. MURRAY, M.D.

Committee of Management.

Hon. W. KESWICK, Chairman.
W. MACAULAY, Esq. H. G. THOMSETT, Esq., R.N.
G. J. HELLARD, Esq.

Donations of Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Clothes, &c., will be most thankfully received.

A. OVERBURY,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, October 29, 1868.

MORRIS'S DIRECTORY FOR CHINA JAPAN AND THE PHILIPPINES, &c., &c., 1869.

THE Underigned begs to announce that the first volume of the above work will be published early in January 1869, and he requests that the schedules addressed to the different residents be returned as soon as possible and that all foreigners lately arrived in China will kindly send their names for insertion without delay.

Orders will be received by and copies can be obtained from Messrs De Silver & Co., Swatow; Messrs Gills & Co., Amoy; Messrs HEDLEY & Co., Foochow; Shanghai Recorder Office Shanghai; Japan Times Office Yokohama; Messrs C. & Co., Nagasaki; F. ASOAH, Esq., Clements Lane, London; and Messrs J. STRATHAN & Co., San Francisco.

J. B. MORRIS,
Hongkong.

N.B.—All advertisements must be sent in not later than 15th November.

Hongkong, October 10, 1868.

NOTICE.

DOCUMENTS Translated, at reasonable rates, from English, French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese or German into Chinese, or from Chinese into English. Address,

The "China Mail" Office,
2, Wyndham Street, Hongkong.

New Advertisements.

"THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON."

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that in compliance with the requirements of Section Number Fifty of "The Companies Ordinance, 1865," an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Society, No. 12, Praya, on Monday, the Twenty-first day of December next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of confirming all or any Special Resolutions that may be passed at the Meeting called for the purpose on the Fifth day of December next.

Dated the Thirtieth day of Oct., A.D. 1868.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ROBERT WATMORE,
Secretary.

"THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON."

NOTICE.

Provisions of Article 77 of the Articles of Association of the Society, an Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Society's Office, No. 12 Praya, on Saturday, the Fifth day of December next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of altering the Regulations of the Society by passing certain Special Resolutions numbered from One to Thirteen inclusive, whereby Articles Numbers 26, 69, 71, 76, 77, 79, 120, 129, 139, 140, 145, 147, and 156 of the Society's Articles of Association are proposed to be struck out of and expunged from the Regulations of the said Society and certain other Regulations affecting the Duration, Continuation, Management, and other General Provisions of the Society substituted in lieu and exclusion thereof.

And Notice is also hereby given that a Copy of the proposed Resolutions can be obtained by any Shareholder on application at the Society's said Office in Victoria.

Dated the Thirtieth day of Oct., A.D. 1868.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ROBERT WATMORE,
Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from the 30th day of November to the 6th of December, 1868, (both days included) during which period no transfer of shares shall be registered.

By order of the Committee,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, November 7, 1868.

WANTED.

TONNAGE to Amoy for 300 to 400 Tons of Dead Weight.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, October 21, 1868.

HAMBURGH & BREMEN FIRE INSURANCE CO.

THE Underigned are now authorized to accept Assurance against Fire at Hongkong, and at any of the open Ports in China, to the increased amount of \$50,000 on one risk.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, November 9, 1868.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 122.

TENDERS for Contracts for the supply of the articles included in the under-mentioned Schedules to the Government Civil and Local Hospitals, for the space of one year commencing on the 28th of December, 1868, will be received at this Office until Noon of the 1st of December, 1868.

SCHEDULE I.—Provisions.

" 2.—Medical Comforts.

" 3.—Bedding and Clothing.

" 4.—Miscellaneous.

Tenders may be made for all four Schedules, or for each separately.

The successful tenderer will be required to enter into a Bond for the due fulfilment of his Contract, and for the supply of all articles of the best quality.

Tenders must be in duplicate, and in sealed envelopes, endorsed "Tender for Hospital Contracts." Forms of Tender, and all other information may be obtained from the Superintendent of the Government Civil Hospital.

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.
Hongkong, October 30, 1868.

SAYLE & Co.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
QUEEN'S ROAD.

RESPECTFULLY solicit inspection of their New GOODS, in the following Departments.

SILKS.

Evening Dresses—Velvets.

RIBBONS.

Lace—Fancy Dresses.

Gloves—Trimming.

HABERDASHERY.

Manchester—Prints.

Shawls—Jackets.

Millinery—Bonnets.

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Gentlemen's Hats—Gloves.

HOSIERY.

Clothes—Tweeds.

Tailoring in all its Branches.

PERFUMERY, &c.

Household Linens—Blankets.

CARPETS.

FURNISHING DRAPERY, Etc., Etc.

P.S.—The Dress-making, Millinery and Tailoring are under the Superintendence of experienced West End hands.

Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

New Advertisements.

FAWCETT & Co.,
WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
GENERAL STORE KEEPERS, AND
COMMISSION AGENTS,
Wyndham Street, Hongkong.

NOTICE.

ON and after the 1st November, 1868, BOARD and LODGING—BOARD or LODGING—OR SPARE BED ROOMS, FURNISHED or UNFURNISHED, can be had at the House formerly known as the ORIENTAL HOTEL. Board and Lodging, \$50 per Month. For further particulars, apply to

FAWCETT & Co.,
Hongkong, October 30, 1868.

GEORGE CLASSE,
(FIVE YEARS MANAGER TO KINGSFORD & Co., VICARILLY LONDON, AND 28, PLACE VENDOME, PARIS)

ENGLISH AND FOREIGN CHEMIST.
VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS SUPPLIED & REFILLED.

Hongkong, May 1, 1867.

JOHN THOMPSON & Co.,
DISPENSING & ANALYTICAL CHEMISTS
AND
SODA WATER MANUFACTURERS.

Ships' Medicine Chests supplied and refilled.

"TEETH EXTRACTED."

INTERNATIONAL DISPENSARY.
23, Wellington Street, Hongkong.

Hongkong, May 9, 1868.

EASTLACK & WINN,
Surgeon Dentists,
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI.

FRANK & MORRIS,
General & Commission Agents
NAGASAKI.

THE "TREATY PORTS OF CHINA & JAPAN," AND "NOTES AND QUERIES ON CHINA AND JAPAN."

EXTRACTS FROM REVIEWS.

(From the "Friend of India," June 4, 1868.)

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the numbers for the current year of "Notes and Queries," a most deserving Anglo-Chinese monthly, edited by Mr. N. B. DENNY, whose "Treaty Ports of China and Japan" are so well known. From the names attached to the "Notes" we can see that the contributors include some of the best Chinese scholars in the East. Its interest is not confined to China, and it will be of valuable assistance to all scholars who have directed their attention towards the subject of Buddhism and its literature, and generally to all who are interested in oriental antiquities. It deserves to be better known in India.

(From the "London Examiner," May 16, 1868.)

This really useful volume ["Treaty Ports of China and Japan"] is intended as a guide for travellers and residents in China and Japan, and as a book of reference for mercantile men generally. It contains an account, historical and political, of all the open ports of these countries, together with Peking, Yedo, Hongkong, and Macao. It has been carefully compiled and edited by Mr. N. B. DENNY; and the elaborate maps and plans, with which the work abounds, considerably enhance its value.

We have thus given in outline some of the more prominent portions of the chapter devoted to Canton, as a specimen of the whole volume. Other chapters treating of Moscow, Formosa, Ningpo, Shanghai, and the remainder of the treaty ports, we can only enumerate. The pages describing Peking, the capital, are so interesting, and contain so much that is new to European readers respecting its history, public buildings, and general characteristics, that we would fain transfer them to our columns. A complete and intelligible plan of the Imperial City and neighbourhood, gives us an accurate notion of the relative position of its divisions, streets, and places.

In the introductory chapter to the notices of the Treaty Ports of Japan will be found an account of the history of that Empire, together with remarks on its government, geography, and limits, which will be found particularly interesting as throwing a considerable light on a part of the world so long entirely, and still comparatively unknown to Europeans.

The descriptions of Nagasaki, Yedo, Yokohama, and the other Treaty Ports of Japan, are as elaborate and entertaining as those of the Chinese ports. A copious index and a useful appendix containing many hints and much appropriate advice to travellers and others, is also included in the volume. The entire work affords a vast amount of information, pleasantly written, and we doubt not will be perused with interest by many who will never visit the Eastern seas.

LATEST SHIPPING.

CLEARED.

Galaten, for Manila.

Luzon, for Bangkok.

Miranda, for Yokohama.

Success, for Bangkok.

PASSENGERS.

The following European passengers left this for Canton, yesterday:—

(None recorded.)

The following European passengers arrived here from Canton to-day:—

(None recorded.)

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE:—

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW, Per "FORMOSA," on Wednesday, the 25th instant, at 11 A.M.

UNDER DESPATCH.

For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.—Per "Formosa," on Wednesday, the 25th instant, at Noon.

QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, 24th November, 1868.

OPIMUM.—Patna, New, ... \$625

Bombay, New, ... 618

Bombay, 3 days' sight, Rs. 223

Shanghai, 3 days' sight, Bank, Tls. 74

Bar Silver, 17 dwts. 5, ... 9 1/2 a 10

Sycee, ... 9 1/2 a 10

Mexicans, ... 23 1/2 a 23 1/2

Gold Leaf, ... 23 1/2 a 23 1/2

Gold Bar, 98 touch, ... 23 1/2 a 23 1/2

Australian Sovereigns, ... 4 1/2

English Sovereigns, ... 4 1/2

H. & S. Bank Shares, Old, ... 21 p.c.p.

Do, do, New, ... 3 1/2

Union Dock, ... 20 p.c. d.

Exchange.

Bank, 6 months' sight, ... 4 1/2

Credits, 6 ... 4 1/2

On Calcutta, 3 days' sight, Rs. 222 1/2

On Shanghai, 3 days' sight, Bank, Tls. 74

Bar Silver, 17 dwts. 5, ... 9 1/2 a 10

Sycee, ... 9 1/2 a 10

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Do, do, New, ... 3 1/2

Union Dock, ... 20 p.c. d.

Temperature.

HONGKONG, 24th November, 1868.

(Taken at Messrs Fulmer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

Thermometer—9 A.M., ... 66

Do, 4 P.M., ... 67

Self-registering Maximum, ... 68

Do, Minimum, ... 67 1/2

Barometer, 9 A.M., ... 30.446

Do, 4 P.M., ... 30.394

NOTICE.—It is particularly requested that all communications relating to the general business of this paper be addressed to the Proprietor and in no case to individuals by name. Much delay and inconvenience in the transaction of business will thereby be avoided.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, NOV. 24, 1868.

A LITTLE EXCURSION.

A DELIGHTFUL illustration of the safe character of the neighbourhood of Hongkong was afforded by the adventures of a picnic and shooting party a few days since. Fifteen foreigners of various nationalities, there being two Americans, ten Portuguese, one Frenchman, one Swiss and one German, set out on Saturday last on a trip to Deep Bay. They reached Nanwan and after visiting the neighbourhood set out to return. As they passed Nanlong the fishermen on the beach hailed them, and pointed out a large boat which they said was a pirate, having just captured another boat; but at sight of the Europeans the craft made off round one of the outlying islands. The party coasted along, visiting a junk of Tuck-mi-chung which they fancied had been captured, but which was simply deserted, and in a short time were under the shadow of Castle Peak. Here they sighted a couple of junks drawn up on the beach and were conversing as to their probable character when fire was opened on them by a party of Chinese concealed behind rocks and bushes at about 300 yards distance. It was promptly returned by the foreigners, but, owing to the cover afforded by the ground to the pirates, with little result, especially as they had but two guns which carried the distance. About five minutes after the firing commenced Mr. J. de Souza, who was one of the party, was struck in the neck by a musket ball. Happily the wound, though painful, was not dangerous, the bullet inflicting a flesh wound only and just missing that unpleasant part of the neck to which those who wish to cut their throats devote their efforts. Finding that they could do nothing to the Chinese, whose position was too good to be stormed, the party very rightly withdrew out of range and returned to Hongkong.

Of course this little skirmish is of no great importance in itself beyond illustrating the character of the coast inhabitants. Within a few hours, a party of peaceable excursionists see a pirate junk at one place, and are fired upon at another, and this latter without giving any possible provocation. The locality is beyond Colonial jurisdiction and very possibly the only satisfaction any complaint would meet with would be some remark to the effect that "it served them right for venturing into dangerous localities." But while we have no direct power to do anything, a little event of this sort forms a good plea for urging additional exertions upon the part of the Viceroy towards suppressing piracy in the Sa-nan District. It is rather too bad that one cannot venture six miles beyond the limits of Hongkong over ground daily traversed by the River Steamers without being subjected to attack. Had the party been less numerous, it is pretty certain that the pirates would have pursued them. We trust that the Naval Authorities here will do something to teach the natives of the river coast that firing on foreigners without provocation is certain to have unpleasant results. We are no advocates for a blind and inhuman system of "revenge" upon harmless people the troubles into which adventurous foreigners may fall when they venture into dangerous neighbourhoods. But the dwellers on the coast here have a bad name amongst the Chinese themselves, and the seizure and destruction of a junk, with a very positive assurance that a village would be destroyed on the next occasion, would effect a great deal towards teaching these

pirates-at-will that to meddle with foreigners chiefly however witless, and we trust some sort of enquiry characters of the are a fair guarantee did not come from

SATURDAY's Gazette under the Stamp Act stamps may be used stamps on cheques or embossed." The the validity of an article will not be those persons who article will not be of forfeiture. The been made is a sens get a plain cheque f who has funds her cheque dated Hon it cashed by fixing but under the for cheque, being un duty as a bill of e the publicans indeb the learned Acting Hongkong, whose relating to cheques "order" or to b found. In fact, it discretion in the functions generally. tionation in the Sta cannot give that credi. The stamp not exceeding \$100 Colony is to be of 25 cents, as Why? What is of such small bill they should bear of 20 per cent? solve this recondi may caution our re they use their a three cent adhesiv for a receipt; a ch counts. There is against mistake in your cheque book will get fifty "en a dollar; and then the Postmaster for We hope his stock.

Mr May on the F. A summons bro stance of Cheong A coolie, against Le builder, was dismi appearance of the o plaintant was to the lawfully refused to further assisted. The case of the aling of a \$100 not until the 26th inst.

Very few cases we lie importance out on the roll. A. d'Azevedo v. C.—This was a claim accounting of a ser whom defendant a Hazeland appeared tiff admitted that verbal agreement, a memorandum or ag subject. His Hon English law did not any debt from a sec some agreement in sorry, not plaintiff would not give c Hazeland objected, having brought an a to prove any case w to costs. After som attorney were allow

F. Jauffret and a The amount \$30.4 and ordered to be l

A. d'Azevedo v. F. Defendant did not self against this ins characts, and judg default.

Yeong Chun v. M for goods valued \$7, but judgment

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.—The active officer who recently arrested a savage blow has since further distinguished himself by stopping a flying report, and catching a violent cold.

Insurances

LIFE ASSURANCE.
THE Undersigned have received Authority by a recent Mail to issue **LIFE POLICIES** for amounts not exceeding £1000 without reference to the Head Office, as was previously required by the Board.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents Royal Insurance Company.
 Hongkong, January 6, 1865.

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned having received extended limits from the **ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY**, are now authorized to issue **Policies** against **FIRE** as follows, viz.
 On any one first-class Building, or on Goods stored therein — in Hongkong, £60,000; in Macao \$45,000.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents Royal Insur. Company of Liverpool.
 Hongkong, June 17, 1864.

REDUCTION
 IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM FOR
FIRE INSURANCE.
THE Undersigned have (as already intimated in their Circular dated 14th October last) received authority from the Secretary of the **ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY** to Reduce the rate of Premium under certain ground tenements, on **PRIVATE RESIDENCES** and on **WORKSHOPS AND FACTORIES**, therein contained.
 In cases of **DWELLING-HOUSES** removed from the Town, the rate of Premium will be **Three-quarters per Cent.** in place of **one per Cent.** per Annum as hitherto charged; and in cases of **Residences**, so situated, being detached or semi-detached, the rate will be further reduced to **One-half per Cent.**
 The **Royal's Annual Rates** for **FIRE INSURANCE** on the various classes of Buildings and their contents will therefore remain as follows, until further notice, viz. —
 Detached and semi-detached.
Dwelling-Houses (removed from the Town) and their Contents, 1/4 per cent.
 Other *Dwelling-Houses* (similarly situated) and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.
 First Class *China House* and their Contents, 1 1/2 per cent.
 Other Risks as per special arrangement.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents Royal Insurance Company.
 Hongkong, November 8, 1866.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.
A DIVIDEND of (8 per cent.) Eight per cent. has been declared on the Net Premia contributed to the above Association for the Year ending 30th September 1867.
 Policy holders will please send in particulars of their contribution to that date to the Undersigned.
RUSSELL & Co.,
 Hongkong, September 8, 1868.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against **FIRE, on BUILDINGS AND GOODS**, at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.,
 Hongkong, February 6, 1867.

BATAVIA SEA & FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above named Company are prepared to grant Policies against **SEA RISKS**, at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.,
 Hongkong, April 1, 1865.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Association, are prepared to issue Policies upon Marine Risks at current rates of premium. Policies can be made payable in London, New York, Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Hongkong, Foochow and Shanghai.
 In addition to the usual brokerage this Association returns to the assured of each year at the close of each current year, fifteen (15) per cent. of the profits of the Company for that year divided pro rata to the amount of premium paid by each policy-holder.
RUSSELL & Co.,
 Hongkong, March 2, 1867.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in China for the above Insurance Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks, at the current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.,
 Hongkong, July 6, 1866.

SAMARAN J SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAMARANG.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above named Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks at the current Rates.
RAYNAL & Co.,
 Macao, August 4, 1866.

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